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> RE: Mercur Canyon Project Tooele County, Utah ACT/045/013

Dear Mr. Buck:

This letter is to inform you that the Board has given tentative approval to your project and that the Division has gone to publication with it.

The Division will however still withhold approval of mining operations and construction of the tailings pond dam and sedimentation pond impoundment until approval by the State Engineer and the Office of Dam Safety.

A final note; the last surety estimate presented before the Board for which Getty Oil will be responsible totals \$1,170,779.00. We are requesting a financial statement for Getty Mineral Resources Company and the Board has asked for Getty Oil to sign the contract. I believe something may be worked out. Please keep me informed. Thirty days will likely end around the 8th or 10th of June.

Sincerely yours

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